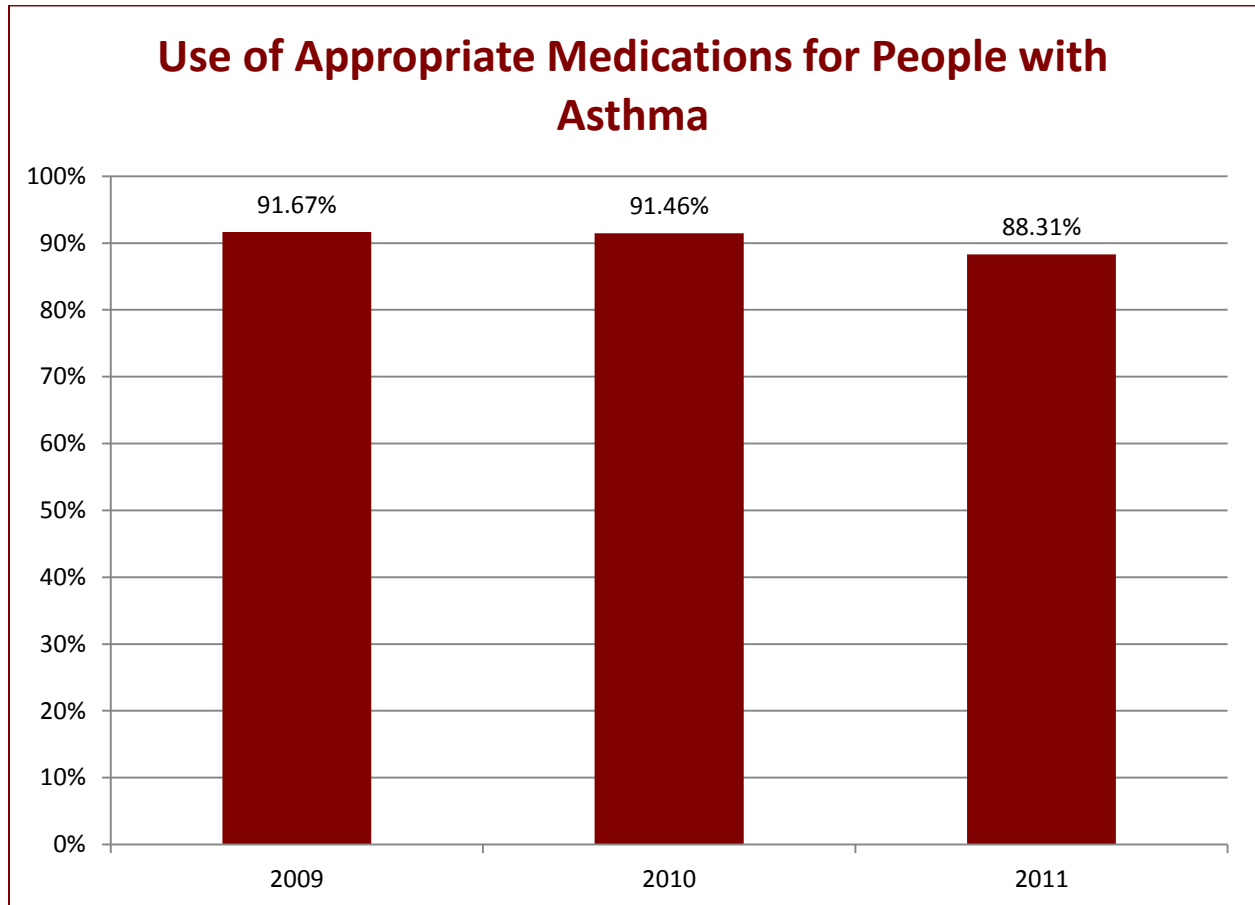


Use of Appropriate Medications for People with Asthma (ASM)

The measure includes the number of people 5-50 years of age in 2009 and 2010, and the number of people 5-64 years of age in 2011 with persistent asthma, who were continuously enrolled in Louisiana Medicaid during the measurement year. The rate (percentage) shows how many of these people received at least one prescription for a preferred therapy during that year.

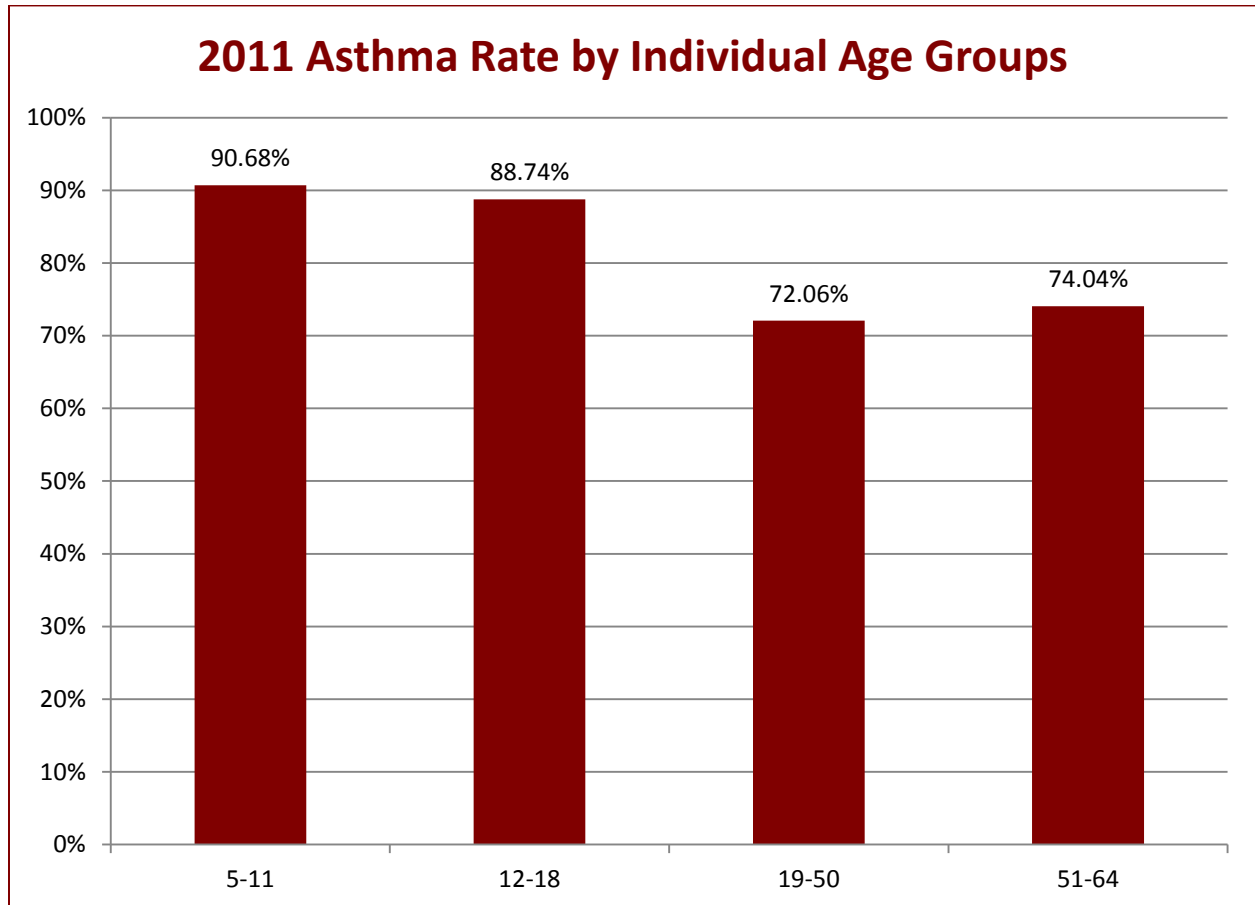


Notes:

- Rates shown are for Medicaid-only recipients.
- Rates shown for 2009 through 2011 exclude Medicare dual eligibles and third-party liability.
- Claims for 2009 through 2011 have a 6-month claim lag.
- In 2011 measurement year, HEDIS® changed the exclusion criteria from optional to required, which reduced the denominator population. Therefore, 2011 rate is not comparable to those of prior years.

Use of Appropriate Medications for People with Asthma (ASM)

The measure includes the number of people 5-64 years of age with persistent asthma, who were continuously enrolled in Louisiana Medicaid during the measurement year. The rate (percentage) shows how many of these people in different age groups received at least one prescription for a preferred therapy during that year.



Notes:

- Rates shown are for Medicaid-only recipients.
- Rates shown for 2011 exclude Medicare dual eligibles and third-party liability.
- Claims for 2011 have a 6-month claim lag.